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POTASH & PHOSPHATE INSTITUTE
POTASH REPORT SUMMARY
(Short Tons K2O)

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AUGUST

	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1986	1985	Change %	1986	1985	Change %	1986	1985	Change %
Beginning Inventory	1,590,079	1,913,119	-16.9%	294,881	273,106	8.0%	1,884,960	2,186,225	-13.8%
(+) Production	513,924	372,577	37.9%	114,589	126,721	-9.6%	628,513	499,298	25.9%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,618,269	1,749,303	-7.5%	302,352	327,349	-7.6%	1,920,621	2,076,652	-7.5%
(=) Total Disappearance	485,734	536,393	-9.4%	107,118	72,478	47.8%	592,852	608,871	-2.6%
(-) Exports	161,156	181,391	-11.2%	49,254	16,295	202.3%	210,410	197,686	6.4%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	324,578	355,002	-8.6%	57,864	56,183	3.0%	382,442	411,185	-7.0%

TWO MONTHS (JULY-AUGUST) OF THE FERTILIZER YEAR

	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1986/87	'85/86	Change	1986/87	'85/86	Change	1986/87	'85/86	Change
Beginning Inventory	1,689,576	2,049,854	-17.6%	294,222	300,800	-2.2%	1,983,798	2,350,654	-15.6%
(+) Production	814,694	719,331	13.3%	235,924	211,496	11.6%	1,050,618	930,827	12.9%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,618,269	1,749,303	-7.5%	302,352	327,349	-7.6%	1,920,621	2,076,652	-7.5%
(=) Total Disappearance	886,001	1,019,882	-13.1%	227,794	184,947	23.2%	1,113,795	1,204,829	-7.6%
(-) Exports	433,321	305,828	41.7%	136,202	77,927	74.8%	569,523	383,755	48.4%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	452,680	714,054	-36.6%	91,592	107,020	-14.4%	544,272	821,074	-33.7%

MONTH-END INVENTORIES - CANADIAN AND U.S. PRODUCERS
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	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
FY 1986/87	1,885	1,921										
FY 1985/86	2,186	2,077	2,037	2,205	2,452	2,304	2,068	1,998	2,202	1,894	1,805	1,984

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	PRODUCTION			ENDING INVENTORY, AUGUST 31				DISAPPEARANCE	
	1986	AUG	1985	MINE SITE	OFFSITE	1986	1985	1986 AUG	1985
MURIATE									
Special Std.	19,709		19,122	19,098	9,850	28,948	39,444	17,122	13,084
Standard	198,877		87,301	356,335	115,306	471,641	476,203	120,575	130,692
Chemical	6,168		7,836	4,822	178	5,000	6,468	6,711	5,279
Coarse	144,760		145,789	124,647	457,715	582,362	764,367	192,804	246,127
Granular	191,071		163,036	203,676	364,221	567,897	483,766	206,781	190,221
Soluble	50,374		51,208	72,157	101,720	173,877	222,532	37,771	7,711
SULPHATES	17,554		25,006	74,311	16,585	90,896	83,872	11,088	15,757
TOTAL	628,513		499,298	855,046	1,065,575	1,920,621	2,076,652	592,852	608,871

	AGRICULTURAL SALES				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES				TOTAL AG & NON-AG SALES	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		AUGUST	
	1986	AUG 1985	1986	AUG 1985	1986	AUG 1985	1986	AUG 1985	1986	1985
MURIATE										
Special Std	19	-	17,148	10,991	-	-	-	-	17,167	10,991
Standard	26,944	21,606	86,986	93,476	8,817	19,727	270	253	123,017	135,062
Chemical	-	-	-	-	5,402	4,975	162	114	5,564	5,089
Coarse	183,146	286,416	12,668	15,184	9	-	-	-	195,823	301,600
Granular	113,957	158,248	75,663	55,130	4,971	-	-	-	194,591	213,378
Soluble	11,392	25,034	13,652	11,191	7,320	12,481	-	6,200	32,364	54,906
SULPHATES	7,207	9,313	3,861	5,147	167	-	-	-	11,235	14,460
TOTAL	342,665	500,617	209,978	191,119	26,686	37,183	432	6,567	579,761	735,486

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	1986 AUG	1985	MINE SITE	OFFSITE	1986	1985	1986 AUG	1985
MURIATE								
Special Standard	19,709	19,122	19,098	9,850	28,948	39,444	17,122	13,084
Standard	159,416	44,863	242,152	114,670	356,822	353,414	84,100	109,273
Chemical	4,868	4,093	3,822	178	4,000	4,316	3,970	3,009
Coarse	137,686	124,460	110,073	457,715	567,788	710,142	182,065	229,183
Granular	143,871	132,235	129,945	361,889	491,834	423,576	166,398	175,794
Soluble	48,374	47,804	67,157	101,720	168,877	218,411	32,079	6,050
TOTAL	513,924	372,577	572,247	1,046,022	1,618,269	1,749,303	485,734	536,393

	AGRICULTURAL SALES				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES				TOTAL AG & NON-AG SALES	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		AUGUST	
	1986 AUG	1985	1986 AUG	1985	1986 AUG	1985	1986 AUG	1985	1986	1985
MURIATE										
Special Std	19	-	17,148	10,991	-	-	-	-	17,167	10,991
Standard	21,653	15,295	64,854	88,823	1,215	6,529	-	-	87,722	110,647
Chemical	-	-	-	-	3,845	2,706	162	114	4,007	2,820
Coarse	180,052	269,417	12,186	15,184	9	-	-	-	192,247	284,601
Granular	98,504	148,625	53,154	49,052	4,971	-	-	-	156,629	197,677
Soluble	10,192	24,554	13,652	11,191	7,320	11,464	-	6,036	31,164	53,245
TOTAL	310,420	457,891	160,994	175,241	17,360	20,699	162	6,150	488,936	659,981

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	PRODUCTION		ENDING INVENTORY, AUGUST 31				DISAPPEARANCE	
	1986 AUG	1985	MINE SITE	OFFSITE	1986	1985	1986 AUG	1985
MURIATE								
Standard	39,461	42,438	114,183	636	114,819	122,789	36,475	21,419
Chemical	1,300	3,743	1,000	-	1,000	2,152	2,741	2,270
Coarse	7,074	21,329	14,574	-	14,574	54,225	10,739	16,944
Granular	47,200	30,801	73,731	2,332	76,063	60,190	40,383	14,427
Soluble	2,000	3,404	5,000	-	5,000	4,121	5,692	1,661
SULPHATES	17,554	25,006	74,311	16,585	90,896	83,872	11,088	15,757
TOTAL	114,589	126,721	282,799	19,553	302,352	327,349	107,118	72,478

	AGRICULTURAL SALES				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES				TOTAL AG & NON-AG SALES	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		AUGUST	
	1986 AUG	1985	1986 AUG	1985	1986 AUG	1985	1986 AUG	1985	1986	1985
MURIATE										
Standard	5,291	6,311	22,132	4,653	7,602	13,198	270	253	35,295	24,515
Chemical	-	-	-	-	1,557	2,269	-	-	1,557	2,269
Coarse	3,094	16,999	482	-	-	-	-	-	3,576	16,999
Granular	15,453	9,623	22,509	6,078	-	-	-	-	37,962	15,701
Soluble	1,200	480	-	-	-	1,017	-	164	1,200	1,661
SULPHATES	7,207	9,313	3,861	5,147	167	-		-	11,235	14,460
TOTAL	32,245	42,726	48,984	15,878	9,326	16,484	270	417	90,825	75,605